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SUBJECT: VISIT OF BERLIN CDU LEADERS TO WASHINGTON

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1. BERLIN CDU CHAIRMAN, PETER LORENZ, IS PLANNING VISIT TO WASHINGTON ON SEPTEMBER 14 AND 15. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY CHAIRMAN OF CDU CAUCUS IN BERLIN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, HEINRICH LUMMER, AND DEPUTY BERLIN CDU CHAIRMAN KARL-HEINZ SCHMITZ. LORENZ ASKED MISOFF ON JUNE 22 IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR HIM AND HIS COLLEAGUES TO SEE SECRETARY VANCE AS WELL AS EUR/CE OFFICIALS AND PERHAPS MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ON FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEES. MISOFF TOLD LORENZ THAT MISSION WOULD INFORM DEPARTMENT OF HIS VISIT BUT COULD NOT GUARANTEE MEETING WITH SECRETARY. LORENZ SAID HE FELT IT PARTICULARLY IMPORTATN FOR BERLIN LEADERS TO BE ABLE TO MEET WITH SECRETARY VANCE AT OUTSET OF NEW ADMINISTRATION.

2. FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFO, LORENZ IS LEADING GROUP OF CDU SUPPORTERS ON TOUR OF NEW YORK ON OCCASION
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OF STEUBEN DAY PARADE. ONE ARICRAFT HAS BEEN FULLY BOOKED AND ANOTHER IS RAPIDLY FILLING. LORENZ WILL BE ONE OF PRINCIPAL FOREING GUESTS AT STEUBEN DAY FESTIVITES.

3. LORENZ, WHO IS ALSO PRESIDENT OF BERLIN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, LAST VISITED WASHINGTON IN JULY

1976 AS LEADER OF DELEGATION OF BERLIN PARLIAMENTARIANS (SPD CAUCUS CHAIRMAN HAUS, CDU CAUCUS CHAIRMAN LUMMER AND FDP CHAUCUS CHAIRMAN VETTER) WHO TOURED US IN CONJUNCTION WITH BICENNTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS. WHILE IN WASHINGTON, LORENZ GROUP MET, INTER ALIA, WITH VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER AND SECRETARY KISSINGER. LORENZ ALSO VISITED WASHINGTON IN DECEMBER 1974, AS BERLIN CDU CHAIRMAN, AND MET WITH COUNSELLOR SONNENFELDT.

4. AS DEPARTMENT WILL NOTE FROM REFTTEL, LORENZ VISIT FOLLOWS BY FIVE DAYS SEPTEMBER 9 VISIT BY BERLIN MAYOR WOLFGANG LUEDER, WHILE WE APPRECIATE DIFFICULTIES OF PREDICTING SCHEDULES AT THIS TIME, MISSION RECOMMENDS THAT LORENZ GROUP BE RECEIVED AT HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL IN DEPARTMENT. APPRECIATE ADVISCE SOONEST ON POSSIBILITY OF SUCH APPOINTMENTS AS WE CAN EXPECT FOLLOWUP QUESTIONS FROM LORENZ WITHIN NEXT WEEK OR SO. GEORGE

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